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The St. Clair County Historical Society, the REALTOR® Association of Southwestern Illinois, and twenty-five local community organizations held Fair St. Clair 200-Celebrating Illinois' Bicentennial Saturday.

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O'Fallon, IL. – The St. Clair County Historical Society, the REALTOR® Association of Southwestern Illinois, and local historical organizations presented Fair St. Clair 200 at O'Fallon Community Park on August 25<sup>th</sup>, from 10am-4pm. The event featured a Vintage Baseball game between the Belleville Stags Vintage Base Ball Club and Springfield Long Nine Vintage Base Ball Club, with first pitch thrown out by O'Fallon Mayor, Herb Roach, music from the Philharmonic Society of Belleville, rifle demonstrations, and a toast to Illinois' 200th Birthday from Mike Bost and Mayor Roach.

The historical society and REALTOR® Association were excited to bring Fair St. Clair 200 to the O'Fallon Community Park for this once in a lifetime event. Fair St. Clair 200 offered a thrilling trip through our local history. Special exhibits, demonstrations, living history, hands on activities, and live music.

Featured exhibitors included – Artisan Guild of Southern Illinois, Belleville Historical Society, Belleville Stags Vintage Baseball Club, Cahokia Courthouse State Historic Site, Freeburg Historical and Genealogical Society, The Grange, Gustave Koerner House Committee, Jarrot Mansion State Historic Site, Labor & Industry Museum, Lebanon Historical Society, Mascoutah Historical Society, McKendree University Museum, Millstadt Historical Society, New Athens Historical Society, O'Fallon Historical Society, Philharmonic Society of Belleville, REALTOR® Association of Southwestern Illinois, Scott Air Force Base, Sons of the American Revolution, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War Col. Friedrich Hecker Camp #443, St. Clair County Genealogical Society, St. Clair County Historical Society, St. Clair County Sheriff's Department, and Turner Brigade - 17th MO, Co. G.

**“The event had a great turnout of community leaders and members of the public. All the exhibitors were very interesting and full of historical pride, leaving an impression on every person they encountered. The event committee is very pleased with how the event turned out and are grateful for all the hard work from everyone involved. Local REALTORS® were eager to assist with this historical event because they don't just work here, they choose to raise their families here, and take pride in their community.”** said REALTOR® Association of Southwestern Illinois CEO Deb Frazier.

The St. Clair County Historical Society, founded in 1905, strives to inspire people with the amazing story of Illinois's first county. The STCCHS operates two museums in Belleville, the Victorian Home Museum and the Emma Kunz House, and the historic Messinger Cemetery in Swansea. The STCCHS encourages exploration and learning through its educational programming, research facilities, social media, and publications.

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